

# **BEARFACTS** 1990 – 2000 **Benton**, **Iowa** [19011]

Benton is one of 99 counties in Iowa. It is part of the <u>Cedar Rapids, IA (MSA)</u>. Its 2000 population of 25,338 ranked 24th in the state.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2000 Benton had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$25,582. This PCPI ranked 30th in the state and was 96 percent of the state average, \$26,558, and 86 percent of the national average, \$29,847. The 2000 PCPI reflected an increase of 9.7 percent from 1999. The 1999-2000 state change was 5.7 percent and the national change was 6.8 percent. In 1990 the PCPI of Benton was \$15,906 and ranked 54th in the state. The 1990-2000 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.3 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2000 Benton had a total personal income (TPI) of \$648,186\*. This TPI ranked 25th in the state and accounted for 0.8 percent of the state total. In 1990 the TPI of Benton was \$356,702\* and ranked 26th in the state. The 2000 TPI reflected an increase of 10.2 percent from 1999. The 1999-2000 state change was 6.1 percent and the national change was 8.0 percent. The 1990-2000 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Benton. In 2000 net earnings accounted for 66.8 percent of TPI (compared with 65.3 in 1990); dividends, interest, and rent were 20.4 percent (compared with 20.7 in 1990); and personal current transfer receipts were 12.8 percent (compared with 14.0 in 1990). From 1999 to 2000 net earnings increased 11.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 9.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.8 percent. From 1990 to 2000 net earnings increased on average 6.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 6.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.2 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Benton increased from \$210,568\* in 1999 to \$232,623\* in 2000, an increase of 10.5 percent. The 1999-2000 state change was 5.1 percent and the national change was 8.0 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1990 estimate of \$154,007\* to the 2000 estimate was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.1 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.